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TO AMEMBASSY BUENOS AIRES IMMEDIATE 3741
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STATE 197316

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: CASC, AR (WEEKS, JAMES MARTIN)

SUBJECT: PRESS GUIDANCE

REF: RONDON/CHAPLIN TELECON AUGUST 9
FOLLOWING IS PRESS GUIDANCE PREPARED BY DEPARTMENT
SPOKESMAN AUGUST 9 BUT NOT REPEAT NOT USED:

QUOTE. Q: IS THERE ANYTHING NEW ON THE CASE OF THE
AMERICAN PRIEST ARRESTED IN ARGENTINA?

A. THE ARGENTINA GOVERNMENT HAS OFFICIALLY CONFIRMED TO
US THAT FATHER WEEKS HAS BEEN DETAINED FOR ALLEGED
SUBVERSIVE ACTIVITIES. OUR EMBASSY IN BUENOS AIRES IS
URGENTLY PRESSING FOR CONSULAR ACCESS TO FATHER WEEKS.

Q. WHEN DO YOU EXPECT SUCH ACCESS TO BE GRANTED?

A. I CAN'T SAY AT THE MOMENT, BUT WE NATURALLY EXPECT
THAT OUR REQUEST WILL BE GRANTED WITHOUT DELAY. UNQUOTE. HABIB
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ARGENTINA PROJECT (S200000044)

U.S. DEPT. OF STATE, A/RPS/IPS

Margaret P. Grafeld, Director

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Exemption(s):

Declassify: ☐ In Part ☒ In Full

☐ Classify as ☐ Extend as ☐ Downgrade to

Date: Declassify on Reason

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